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SENIORS HOLD LAST MEETING AT BANQUET

President McKinney of the Senior Class gave a banquet to the rest of the members the evening of May 27. The banquet was held at the Ould Newbury Golf Club, and John Edwards had one of his best steak dinners for the class to consume. The only other guests present besides the regular enrolled members of the Class of 1927 were Dr. Ingham and Mr. Skerrye, sponsor of the class.

When the steak had been reduced to a few sad remains, McKinney arose and spoke briefly asking Dr. Ingham to take up the duties of the toastmaster for the evening. During this speech he presented to the Doctor the record of the meetings of the class. This record of the meetings was started in the Sophomore year and contains a detailed account of all the regular meetings of the class during and since 1925. Dr. Ingham consented to act as toastmaster and took up the duties of one as soon as McKinney had finished. After a short address of his own, Dr. Ingham called on Pillsbury and Hamilton for speeches and then Mr. Skerrye spoke. He mentioned coming back at the same time the ensuing year for a class reunion. The other members were called upon in turn, and feeling for a reunion next year seemed very strong among the boys. The entire class extends its sincere thanks to McKinney for his fine dinner.

TENNIS TEAM DEFEATS MALDEN

After a long period of rain in which the team was held up, Dummer scored another victory on its tennis record on May 24 by defeating the Malden High team 7 to 2. Last year Malden defeated Dummer decisively and this year the team got its revenge. Griggs was beaten and the Sawyer-Griggs doubles combination also lost. Sawyer, Palmer, Hosmer, Gove, and Moore each won his singles match, while Palmer-Hosmer and Gove-Moore won their doubles. The day was dark and windy which fact has been known to bother the team not a little. However, with matches pending with Salem and Thayer the team should make a good record.

Members of the basketball team recently got gold basketballs for their work on the court last winter.

DIVOT DIGGERS WIN AGAIN AT BEVERLY

The Dummer golfers added another victory to their string on May 24 at Beverly by taking the Beverly High team into camp on their own course 5 to 2. The match was played on the United Shoe Machine A. A. golf course in Beverly. It is notable that the day was fair for all but one of the previous matches were played in the rain. The first match was close until the fourteenth when at the very time Rackliffe needed to win holes and draw up even English applied the pressure and shot the next three holes in one shot under par to draw away for a comfortable margin of victory. Fearnside was hardly pressed in his match and as usual won. Wilson played sweet golf and walked all over his opponent. Best and Poor in their singles matches were not so fortunate. In the four-ball match English and Wilson kept a comfortable lead through till the end and won. Fearnside, paired with Best, was mainly instrumental in the victory in their four-ball. The medal scores were not too good under the conditions. English led with an 85, Wilson and Rackliffe had 87's and Fearnside was 88. The results:

English (D) defeated Rackliffe (B) 3 up and 2 to go. Fearnside (D) defeated Kirby (B) 4 up and 3 to go. Wilson (D) defeated Flegerty (B) 6 up and 5 to go. Fall (B) defeated Best (D) 5 up and 4 to go. Ascott (B) defeated Poor (D) 6 up and 4 to play.

English and Wilson (D) defeated Rackliffe and Flagerty (B) 3 up and 2 to go. Fearnside and Best (D) defeated Kirby and Fall (B) 6 up and 5 to go.

SECOND VICTORY FOR TENNIS TEAM

Dummer's second match at home was successful in that the team won rather easily over Salem High 4 to 2 on May 26. Griggs, playing number one, and Gove, number four, were the losers. Sawyer and Palmer, playing numbers three and two respectively won easily. The Griggs-Sawyer team pulled out of a hole and won, and the Palmer-Hosmer combination won in a close match. With the exception of Griggs and Gove who were rather off their respective games the team looked good and the prospects for the next matches are bright.

GOLFERS AVENGE EARLY DEFEAT

On May 20 the Dummer golf team continued its victorious path by tying the Manchester High School team on the Essex County Club links at Manchester. This was a great comeback for the Dummerites as Manchester had previously beaten Dummer on its own course. All the matches were close except the one which Best lost. The strange course was played well by all, Gillis and English leading with 82's and others close behind. The match was played for the most part in a heavy rain. Fearnside played his usual good game and won without being hard pressed. Wilson, who specializes in baseball, was extended to the 20th hole where his par 4 was good enough. English and Gillis waged a tight affair that ended on the last green, Gillis making a splendid recovery from almost sure defeat. The results:

Gillis (M) defeated English (D) 1 up. Fearnside (D) defeated Santa Maria (M) 2 up. Wilson (D) defeated Hatch (M) 20 holes. Brown (M) defeated Best (D) 5 up and 4 to play.

TENNIS TEAM WINS FOURTH STRAIGHT

The day following the Thayer match the tennis team journeyed to Salem and defeated the Salem High team for the second time on the courts of the North Shore Country Club. The wind, almost a howling gale caused Sawyer to lose his match to the man he had defeated easily at Dummer. Griggs and Palmer each won a point in their singles matches and then combining for the first time this year easily won their doubles for the third point. This was the teams last match and ended the season very successfully. Out of its five matches the team won four making a rather good record in all.

TENNIS TEAM HAD BRILLIANT SEASON

The work of the tennis team has been brilliant all year. It is a pity that they could not have played a longer schedule, for in their five matches they were victorious in four. Exeter, whom we feel is entitled to beat us, shut out the team in the first match.

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DUMMER WIELDS BAT WITH VIGOR

Following the successful game of last Saturday, the Dummer Academy baseball team went to Belmont and won a return game with Belmont Hill 14 to 6. This is a smaller score than the overwhelming 25 to 8 victory on the home field, but the new field probably accounts a good deal for this deficiency.

Ken Webb, up first for the Red and White, took a pass at the ball and pushed it out over the fielders' heads for three bases. Hart's fly to shortstop did not bring him home, but Wilson's safe hit did. Wilson was caught at second and Calderwood hit safely but was also thrown out at the keystone sack. Belmont Hill failed to come back in that inning.

The next inning went scoreless, but in the last of the fourth, F. Martin laid out a hit and followed it home on Merrill's safe bunt. This starter seemed good to the Belmont boys; so they followed it up in the next inning. Elwell took a pitched ball on his arm and stole second. F. Martin was passed. Then his brother got up hit safely, and got around with two runs preceding him before Hale fanned.

Then Dummer played a while. Hart got up in the fifth inning and pushed out a two bagger. Wilson hit, and was followed by Calderwood who also hit. Hart came in on the latter's sock and the other two followed him on Bottger's hit. The rest of the boys ceased functioning as hitters, but the team came back strong in the next inning and five more runs came in. Hart was up again and took first on balls. The pitcher flared up a little and hit Calderwood which advanced Hart to third after he had stolen the keystone. Pillsbury got on the initial sack and Wally Temple's hit brought the two on base in. Fitzsimmons sent Wally around successfully and followed himself later on Page's hit. Hart was passed and he stole second safely parking Webb on the hot corner. Webb scored on Wilson's hit. Hart and Wilson scored on Calderwood's and Pillsbury's sacrifice. Bottger took first on balls and scored on Wally Temple's two bagger. There was no more scoring.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Dummer	1	1	0	0	3	5	4	0	0	—14
Belmont	0	1	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	— 6

Two base hits, Temple 2, Hart. Three base hits, Webb. Home runs, Bottger, K. Martin. Stolen bases, Dummer 3, Belmont Hill 1. Struck out by Fitzsimmons 4; by F. Martin 5. Hits off Fitzsimmons 5. Wilson, 1; off F. Martin 18. Base on balls

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From birth to death life is a succession of beginnings. There is no end, Nothing is ever finished. We are simply working steadily toward the final end with its judgment of a life well lived or poorly lived.

Our education is never finished. The ending of formal education merely marks the beginning of another and more serious education. We must be constantly building. To stop is to stagnate. The structure is never finished. Others will take up the task which we leave and begin as we began.

The process of acquiring strength of character, of will, of conviction, of ideas and ideals can never cease without failing utterly. We may not rest. To rest is to invite the curse of forgetfulness. To forget, even for a short time, is to run the very real danger, the inevitable danger, of losing all that we have so laboriously gained.

Success or failure is inevitable. Either we so live as to make success inevitable or we so live as to make failure inevitable. There is no chance, no luck, no miracle, no opportunity that is not the direct result of one's method of living, of one's plan of life. If you have not so lived as to be prepared for the gifts life offers, you may not have them.

And what is this success? Well, it is the product of a joyous heart, a tranquil mind, and a happy spirit. If you have these, you have attained success or are attaining it. If you have not these to a very considerable degree, then you are not on the road to success at all. You have taken the other way.

And how may one attain a joyous heart, a tranquil mind, a happy spirit? The answer is as clear to you as it is to any other mortal who honestly seeks it. Listen to the song of your heart, to the voice of your mind, to the command of your spirit—and follow.

Alumni Notes

1923

"Jimmy" Gardiner has been upholding the school honor at Yale in great shape. Playing first base on his victorious class team, he won his numerals when his team defeated the best Harvard class team two weeks ago. "Jimmy" batted for 1.000, knocking out two doubles, a triple, and a single in four times at bat. He also starred on the bag.

1924

E. A. Ferdinand visited school for a few minutes the other day and announced his intention of attending the Alumni Reunion.

1926

Freddy Alexander came down to school the other day with Ed Jackson.

1925

E. R. Jackson came down to school during the special week-end and so missed the whole gang.

NET MEN CHALK UP THIRD VICTORY

On a dark afternoon, May 27, the Dummer tennis team swamped Thayer on the Dummer courts 5 to 1. In this match the team as a whole played the best game of the season. Griggs, Palmer, and Sawyer won their matches while Gove still out of form lost his by a close margin. Griggs-Sawyer and Palmer-Hosmer combinations won their matches rather easily. This match makes the third straight win for Dummer and with ont match to be played the team wishes to make up for the single defeat it was handed at Exeter.

We again call attention to the excellent work of Hamilton in the *Milestone*. Not only were his cuts and drawings the feature of the publication, but his humor and lierary ability added much to effect of the senior paragraphs and the prophecy.

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THE NEED OF A CULTURAL BACKGROUND

One of the most deeply felt wants of this school is a cultural background on which to base the curricular activities of the students. As is natural to young men, an out of the ordinary proportion of the actual classroom work is distasteful. The performance of studying and reciting becomes hum-drum and monotonous, and each one turns to some non-curricular activity. Here is the rub. We support teams of various varieties, so that some must interest everyone. Besides the teams there are golf and tennis tournaments in season. And last but not least comes the smoking club. In all these there is not one that creates in any way, shape, or manner a cultural background. The school publications serve to some extent, but they benefit only a very few. In other schools there are debating clubs, language clubs, bible clubs, and such kindred organizations. At Worcester Academy one of the most important clubs is the English Club. This would perhaps be the best model for a school of this size where there is room for only one such club.

It would be an entirely new plan to be worked out carefully and experimented with. Roughly the method would be carried on in this fashion. At some set period, two weeks for a starter, there would be a meeting which would take up most of the evening. In this gathering, for meeting is hardly descriptive, the members would read or describe from prepared notes their version of some current literary topic. An outstanding novel or a new book of poetry might be reviewed by the members and discussed from all sides. The affair would be entirely informal and refreshments would be served. Through the influence of Mr. Jarvis, who is instigator of the club, certain internationally known men of letters might be brought to the affair if the progress warranted it. The connection with these men alone, professors in the Harvard Graduate School, would make the value of the club infinite. Besides this the discussions would concern contemporary writers and keep one in touch with the latest word in the modern literary world.

This is only a suggestion and several details have got to be worked out. Its object of studying contemporary literature in an interesting way, of creating a cultural background, and of providing an outside activity which is interesting and instructive are worthy: and we hope to see the club in full swing next year.

Edward G. G. Ladds '28 won the short story contest with *The Captain's Well.*

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BROWNE AND NICHOLS WIN FROM DUMMER

The invading Browne & Nichols nine administered a third defeat to Dummer on the Academy diamond on Saturday afternoon, May 21. Dummer's poor showing made the score 10 to 8 against it. The game was a good one to watch if one discounts the Red and White's errors.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
B. & N.	0	0	4	0	5	0	0	0	1	—10
Dummer	1	0	1	0	3	2	0	1	0	— 8

Two base hits, Hodges, Fande, Calderwood, Webb, Hart. Home run, A. Smart. Stolen bases, Browne & Nichols 9, Dummer 13. Double plays, Dummer, Hart to Temple to Calderwood. Struck out, by Wilson 2; by Fitzsimmons 6; by Tenny 6; by Smart 3. Base on balls off Wilson 2; off Fitzsimmons 4; off Tenney 4; off Smart 1. Hit by pitcher, Calderwood, Webb. Time 2 h., 20 m. Umpire Southwell.

SANBORN SEMINARY DEFEATS DUMMER

Dummer's baseball team got its second defeat at Kingston, N. H. The opponent was Sanborn Seminary and Dummer played the toughest game of its season so far. Sanborn got a head start in the second inning when Dummer's infield refused to function properly, resulting in five runs.

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Sanborn	1	5	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	—10
Dummer	2	0	2	1	0	2	0	0	0	— 7

Two base hits, Sleeper, Currier, Bonner. Double play, Dummer 1. Struck out, by Fitzsimmons 6, by Wilson 1, by Davies 14. Base on balls off Fitzsimmons 5, off Wilson 1, off Davies 4. Time 2h. Umpire, Jones.

JUNIOR CLASS ELECT OFFICERS

At a recent meeting of the Junior Class the following officers were chosen for next year: John P. English, president; Karl J. E. Gove, vice-president; Walter P. Temple, secretary and treasurer.

The second Country Day baseball game had to be postponed on account of rain, and then it was found that the second date conflicted too closely with the Belmont Hill game and it too was cancelled.

MILESTONE UPHOLDS HIGH STANDARDS OF PREVIOUS ISSUES

The *Milestone* recently appeared and upheld the high standards previously set for that edition. Thanks to Mr. Budgell, the covers were better than usual, and the contents measured up to the highest standard. The board slipped, however, in giving such a great emphasis to the smoking club. This hardly gives a good impression to people who do not understand the club and its rules, and such predominance was hardly a wise move. Mr. Calderwood took care of the cuts to the great advantage of the Senior Class. Norton Pickering was the editor, assisted by Hamilton and Lawson. McKinney handled the business end.

THUNDER STORM STOPS LAWN SUPPER

In honor of the Senior Class, a lawn supper was to be served for the school and its friends by Mis Brown on Sunday after the Baccalaureate service. However, a violent thunder storm put an end to any such thoughts and a buffet lunch was served in the Commons.

The cram week before College Boards starts Wednesday everyone returning Tuesday after Commencement. It will last four days and possibly Sunday. College Boards themselves are taken in Newburyport during the week of the 20th. As soon as one's Board exams are over he is at liberty to go home.

GOLF TEAM TIES THE STATE CHAMPS

On May 9th the golf team tied the Newton High team which holds the state championship. A second match was arranged for June 3rd to settle the supremacy. The Newton team failed to show up.

News of Interest

The Treasurer's Cup has been on display in the Common Room of Commons for some time.

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The school store will be under the direction of Fernandez next year.

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The Byfield Parish Church was decorted for the Baccalaureate service by a committee from the Junior Class.

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The final exams started Monday morning and ended Thursday.

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A special week-end was granted, lasting over Memorial Day, to the entire school by Dr. Ingham. This was greatly appreciated by the student body.

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THAYER HANDS GOLFERS DEFEAT

On May 27th the Dummer golfers experienced their first unatoned defeat of the year by a Massachusetts team when they fell before the stroking of the Thayer Academy golfers, logical state champions this year, 5 matches to 2 on the Ould Newbury course. The Dummer men have no alibis as Thayer has a well balanced team. The match between the lead-off pairs was close all the way with English holding the lead till the final green. He weakened on the last two holes, however, and Hutton's spurt won the match. Fearnside was never in any trouble with his man and was successful in bringing home the bacon. Wilson, too, found his man easy. Best lost by a small margin, and Poor was badly beaten. In the four-ball English and Fearnside failed to team up well and could not dovetail their good holes together. Wilson and Best were not successful either. Bob Hutton was low scorer with an 86 and English succeeded in breaking 90 with an 87. The results:

R. Hutton (T) defeated English (D) 1 up. Fearnside (D) defeated Churchill (T) 3 up and 2 to go. Wilson (D) defeated H. Hutton (T) nineteen holes. Crabbe (T) defeated Best (D) 2 up and 1 to play. Nolan (T) defeated Poor (D) 6 up and 4 to play.

R. Hutton and Churchill (T) defeated English and Fearnside (D) 1 up. H. Hutton and Crabbe (T) defeated Wilson and Best (D) 2 up and 1 to play.

DUMMER WIELDS BAT WITH VIGOR

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